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North Jefferson Street Closure Scheduled This Week for Railroad Crossing Work; Traffic To Be Detoured

ALBANY, Ga. – The Georgia Department of Transportation in partnership with the city of Albany announces the closure of state Route 91/North Jefferson Street at Roosevelt Avenue tomorrow through Wednesday for railroad crossing improvements.

Norfolk Southern will be installing concrete panels, which are smoother and more durable than roadway timbers. Flagmen are controlling traffic today as railroad company employees saw cut the pavement, which is limiting traffic flow.

The intersection will be closed to all thru traffic from 8 a.m. tomorrow until 6 p.m. Wednesday for installation of the panels. Motorists are advised to use alternate routes and avoid the intersection. Detour routes will be identified with signage with the following city streets to be used:

- If you are north of the intersection and want to travel south, you should access North Jackson Street, which is a one-way southbound city street that is one block east of North Jefferson Street. The last east-west street that can be used to access North Jackson Street before the work area is Residence Avenue.
- If you are south of the intersection and want to travel north, you should access North Monroe Street, which is a one-way northbound city street that is one block west of North Jefferson Street. Detour signage will be set at Pine Avenue for motorists to use to access North Monroe Street. The last east-west street that can be used to access North Monroe Street before the blocked intersection is Flint Avenue.

Motorists are advised to use caution, reduce speed and expect delays in this area through Wednesday evening.

Motorists can access real-time, statewide, route-specific information on accidents, road work, and traffic and weather conditions through Georgia 511 - a free phone service. By dialing 511, callers also can transfer to operators to 24 hours a day to report incidents or request assistance. The system can be used to access transit providers, major airports, rideshare organizations, tourism information and 511 systems in surrounding states. Additionally, 511 is available online. Georgia DOT partners with sponsors for assistance in funding 511, thereby preserving tax dollars and helping sustain critical services. For more information about 511, visit 511ga.org. For more information on Georgia DOT, please visit www.dot.ga.gov or subscribe to our Press Release RSS feed. You also may follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) and Twitter (http://twitter.com/gadeptoftrans).

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